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## AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116, this paper is filed in response to the final Office Action issued March 28, 2008. An extension of three months under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is requested, and the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) is enclosed, making the new response date, Monday, September 29, 2008.

A Notice of Appeal is filed concurrently herewith, along with the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b).

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